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The Hungarian-Czechoslovakian border near Satoralja-ujhely (R 49/A 50) was not fenced. Illegal border crossing was not very difficult, and smuggling activities were common, with foodstuffs coming into Czechoslovakia and textiles, glass, and chinaware going into Hungary. Hungarians apprehended by Czechoslovakian guzrds in illegal border crossings were usually imprisoned for two weeks. They were then returned to Hungary, but were not turned over to the

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illegal border crossing from Hungary to the Soviet Union was extremely difficult. The border was blocked by a wire fence which contained signal flares activated by trip wires. The Soviet border zone was guarded by border troops who were posted on watchtowers and who patrolled the area with dogs. There was no illegal border traffic. All non-residents of the Soviet Carpatho-Ukraine were subject to strict control.

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